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- ☒ 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114. No certification or fee is required.
- ☒ 2. The references were cited in a counterpart foreign application. An English language version of the foreign search report is attached for the Examiner's information.
- ☒ 3. A concise explanation of the relevance of the non-English language reference appears in the Appendix attached hereto.

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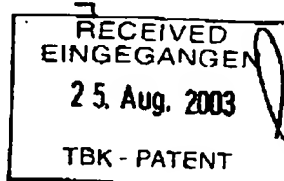
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☒ Additional set(s) of copies of the documents cited in the European search report is (are) enclosed as well.

The following specifications given by the applicant have been approved by the Search Division:

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APPENDIX

US Patent	File Date	Issue Date	Comments
DE (A1) 32 30 607	18/08/1982	23/02/1984	This invention relates to a power train arrangement including an internal combustion engine which generates torque with a rotational irregular rate. In order to reduce the rotational irregular rate, an output electric current of a dynamo is controlled responding to a crank angle so that the dynamo becomes a load responding to the crank angle which reacts to the rotational irregular rate of the internal combustion engine.